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Department of Health Care
Policy & Financing

AGENDA

Children's Disability Advisory Committee
Wednesday, February 14th · 10:00am - 12:00pm

[Video call link](#)

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Welcome -Christy Blakely

The CDAC serves in an advisory capacity to the Department and makes recommendations regarding issues related to benefits for children and youth with disabilities age 20 and younger, provider education interventions and application of standards. All interested stakeholders are welcome.

Housekeeping and ground rules -Christy Blakely 10:00 - 10:10

Topics for discussion

All topics, times, and presenters are subject to change

- Children's Home and Community Based Services and Children with life Limiting Illness (CHCBS/CLLI) Waiver Merger - Lana Eggers
- Non-emergent Medical Transportation (NEMT)- Courtney Sedon
- Children's Habilitation Residential Program and Children's Extensive Support (CHRP/CES) Skilled and Therapeutic Respite Rates - Michele Craig
- Children's Buy-in Changes/Improvements - Claudia Mendez
- Private Duty Nursing (PDN) - Candace Bailey, Valerie Carter

Announcements and Resources:

ACC Phase III Stakeholder Engagement Opportunities

The Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (HCPF), in partnership with the Colorado Health Institute (CHI), is pleased to be collaborating with stakeholders to discuss the vision for Accountable Care Collaborative (ACC Phase III). We are committed to receiving input from diverse perspectives through accessible, equitable, and productive engagement. More information can be found [here](#).

Please join us for a series of public listening sessions for tips to review this document, an overview of the key requirements in the Draft Contract and time to provide feedback and ask questions.

- **Primary Care Medical Providers:** Monday, February 12, from 2:30 to 4 p.m. | [Registration Link](#)
- **Virtual Public Listening Session #2 (all welcome):** Wednesday, February 14, from 3 to 4:30 p.m. | [Registration Link](#)
- **Behavioral Health Providers:** Thursday, February 15, from 12:30 to 2 p.m. | [Registration Link](#)
- **Advocates and Representatives from Community-Based Organizations:** Wednesday, February 21, from 12:30 to 2 p.m. | [Registration Link](#)

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- **Health First Colorado Members Only:** Thursday, February 29, from 2:30 to 4 p.m. | [Registration Link](#)
- **Prospective Bidders Conference:** Friday, March 1, from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. | [Registration Link](#)

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the session. The most up-to-date schedule, as well as recordings and materials from each of these sessions, will be posted on [this web page](#).

ACC Phase III Feedback: You may provide input on ACC III using the [ACC Phase III Open Feedback Form](#)

If you would like to receive email notifications about the ACC and upcoming meetings, [join our email list](#).

On Wednesday, January 31, the House Health and Human Services Committee heard one of the Department's priority bills, HB24-1038: High-Acuity Crisis for Children & Youth which is sponsored by Rep. Young, Rep. Bradley, Sen. Kirkmeyer and Sen. Fields. This bill will create a system of care for high acuity youth under the age of 21. The bill passed in committee 9-1 with no amendments and is now headed to the House Appropriations Committee. High Acuity Crisis for Children and Youth: This bill had its first hearing this past week. The next hearing will be in House Appropriations Committee on 2/15. This bill includes the CHRP expansion for Behavioral Health needs.

[HB24-1038: High-Acuity Crisis for Children & Youth](#)

There will be a Medicaid Behavioral Health Webinar on Monday February 26, 2024 from 11:30am - 1:30pm. Folx can register here: https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_4AZUVrWvQLmFzitTqmZegg#/registration The webinar will cover Medicaid behavioral health transformation, relevant policy changes, how changes are impacting communities, and what is coming next.

- Key State and Federal policy changes
- New benefits and initiatives that improve access for members
- Safety net providers, workforce, and accountability
- Potential and expected changes for kids and families, people who have been incarcerated, and individuals experiencing homelessness
- Q & A with HCPF and BHA leaders

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